

## Message Text

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R 300657Z MAY 78  
FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2199  
INFO USLO RIYADH  
AMCONSUL DHAHRAN  
AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BTRA, SA  
SUBJ: CORNING GLASS VISIT

REF: STATE 131185

1. AMORY HOUGHTON, JR. CORNING GLASSWORKS CHAIRMAN, VISITTED POST ON MAY 28, 1978 FOR BRIEFING ON INVESTMENT AND BUSINESS CLIMATE IN SAUDI ARABIA. EBLAN PROVIDED IN DEPTH BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE JOINT VENTURE LEADS INVOLVING FORMER GENERAL HASHIM A. HASHIM, MOHAMED BADRAWI AND OTHERS.
2. HOUGHTON ADVISED TO VISIT DHAHRAN IF POSSIBLE FOR BETTER BACKGROUND ON NATIONAL GLASS COMPANY AND DIRECTOR SAQQABI. WE INFORMED HIM THAT LATTER COMPANY WAS ESTABLISHED WITH ASSISTANCE FROM ARAMCO'S LOCAL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WHICH PROVIDED ASSURED MARKET.
3. CORNING INTENDS CONTINUE EXPLORE LEADS FOR INVESTMENT IN BOTTLE MANUFACTURE IN SAUDI ARABIA AND HAS APPOINTMENTS WITH SHEIKH ABDUL AZIZ AL SULIMAN. WILL PROCEED TO VISIT KUWAIT AND MAY POSSIBLY STOP IN DHARAN ENROUTE TO CHECK INTO NATIONAL GLASS COMPANY BACKGROUND.

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4. HOUGHTON MET WITH MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, FINANCE AND COMMERCE OFFICIALS AT RIYADH.  
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